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Dear Chuck:

During your recent visit to the Classification Review Division you left 18 pages from State Department documents for our review. We have completed that review and have no objection to the release of all items except pages 6, 7 and 16 of the attached documents. These pages contain a precis of the conclusions of NIE 36, of 1 August 1951, concerning Burma. During our systematic review of National Intelligence Estimates in 1981, our reviewer originally recommended that this particular estimate be declassified and released. However, the State Department reviewer, Mr. Les Edmond of CDC, asked that this estimate not be declassified, and the Air Force reviewer concurred in this request. CIA, accordingly, has left NIE 36 classified at CONFIDENTIAL (see Mr. Ainsworth's letter to [ ] of 15 December 1982, your Case No. 820379).

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Sincerely,

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